

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Polymerizable~~ A polymerizable dental material comprising silver particles which have a primary particle diameter of < 40 nm.
2. Dental material according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that the~~ which comprises a mass proportion of silver therein ~~is of 1 ppm minimum and to 10% by weight maximum, preferably 10 ppm minimum and 5% by weight maximum, particularly preferably 100 ppm minimum and 2% by weight maximum.~~
3. (Original) Dental material according to Claim 2, wherein the silver particles have a primary particle diameter of 1–20 nm.
4. (Currently Amended) Dental material according to ~~one of Claims 1 through 3~~, wherein the silver particles are homogeneously incorporated into the dental material.
5. (Currently Amended) Dental material according to ~~one of Claims 1 through 4~~, wherein the silver particles are not agglomerated.
6. (Currently Amended) Dental material according to Claim 1, wherein the silver particles are modified on a surface thereof. ~~Dental material according to one of Claims 1 through 5, wherein the silver particles are provided for incorporation in conjunction with a surface modification.~~
7. (Currently Amended) Dental material according to ~~one of Claims 1 through 6~~, wherein the silver particles are introduced into the dental material in the form of an acrylate dispersion.
8. (Currently Amended) Dental material according to ~~one of Claims 1 through 7~~, wherein the silver particles are not applied to carrier or auxiliary substances.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~A filling composite comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as a filling composite.~~
10. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~An adhesive comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as an adhesive.~~
11. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~A prosthetic base material comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as a prosthetic base material.~~
12. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~A material for artificial teeth comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as a material for artificial teeth.~~
13. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~A veneer composite for crowns and bridges comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as a veneer composite for crowns and bridges.~~
14. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~A fissure sealant comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as a fissure sealant.~~
15. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a~~A protective dental lacquer for a surface treatment of natural teeth comprising a dental material according to ~~one~~ Claims 1 ~~through 8 as a component of a protective dental lacquer for the surface treatment of natural teeth.~~